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SUBJ: USG PUBLIC POSTURE ON ELECTIONS

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1. UNDERSTAND DEPARTMENT PRESENTLY CONTEMPLATING PUBLIC POSITION ON ELECTIONS.

2. IN ADDITION TO POINTS MADE REFTEL WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE OF AVOIDING ANY CLAIMS OF MODERATE VICTORY. IF AFM IS TO BE PERSUADED TO ACCEPT AND BE INFLUENCED BY RESULTS THEY HAVE TO BE ABLE TO SAVE FACE BY DESCRIBING THEM AS A VICTORY FOR PROGRESSIVE FORCES. SOARES UNDERSTANDS THIS AND WISELY ADOPTING CONCILIATORY POSTURE, DESCRIBING ELECTION RESULTS AS VICTORY FOR AFM AND SAYING HE SEES NO REASON TO CHANGE PRESENT CABINET.

3. STRONGLY URGE OUR STATEMENTS FOCUS ON THE PROCESS NOT THE RESULTS, AND EMPHASIZE OUR DESIRE TO SEE THE PROCESS CONTINUE.

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